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**Citrus Disease**

Federal and State agriculture officials, including California citrus growers, are facing a battle to prevent and eradicate the spread of Yellow Dragon Disease by the Asian psyllid. First detected in Florida in 2005, Yellow Dragon Disease has killed millions of citrus trees and cost Florida growers \$1.3 billion in lost revenue, \$3.6 billion in lost economic activity to the state, and six-thousand jobs.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has confirmed the first California case of Yellow Dragon Disease in Los Angeles County that could significantly damage California's \$2 billion citrus industry.

**WE, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Agricultural Commissioner/Director of Weights and Measures to report back in two weeks before the Board with a report on the status of the outbreak, recommended actions to mitigate the spread of Yellow Dragon Disease, and efforts to educate the public.

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